

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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1. This communication is responsive to 7/26/2005.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-7,9-16 and 18-20.
3. The drawings filed on 02 February 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
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6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

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DETAILED ACTION

Reason for allowance

1. Claims 2-7,9-16,18-20 are allowed. The following is an examiner's statement of reason for allowance:

I/ Group I: Claims 2-7:

None of the references of record teaches or suggests the claimed **ISOLATED FINFET P-CHANNEL/N-CHANNEL TRANSISTOR PAIR** having the limitations:

- "a fin structure comprising a semi-conducting material. the tin structure including a channel stop layer, wherein the channel stop layer has a retrograde channel concentration profiles a source region formed at one end of the fin structure, the channel stop layer separating the source region into a first source region and a second source region.

a drain region formed at an opposite end of the tin structure. the channel stop layer separating the drain region into a first drain region and a second drain regions"--

and all other limitations as recited in claim 1.

II/ Group II: Claims 9-16:

None of the references of record teaches or suggests the claimed **ISOLATED FINFET P-CHANNEL/N-CHANNEL TRANSISTOR PAIR** having the limitations:

- “a fin structure that includes a retrograde channel stop layer that extends a length of the fin structure and is positioned approximately in a center of the fin structure.

a source region formed at one end of the fin structure, the retrograde channel stop layer separating the source region into a first source region and a second source region a drain region formed at an opposite end of the fin structure. The retrograde channel stop layer separating the drain region into a first drain region and a second drain region, wherein the retrograde channel stop layer has a retrograde channel concentration profile. “--

and all other limitations as recited in claim 9.

III/ Group III: Claims 18-20:

None of the references of record teaches or suggests the claimed **ISOLATED FINFET P-CHANNEL/N-CHANNEL TRANSISTOR PAIR** having the limitations:

-- “A semiconductor device comprising
an N-channel device including a first source regions a first drain region, a first fin structures and a gates and a P-channel device including a second source region, a second drain region, a second fin structure. and the gate. the second source region the second drain region, and the second fin structure being separated from the first source region. the first drain region. And the first fin structure by a

channel stop layer, wherein the channel stop layer has a retrograde channel concentration profile. “— and all other limitations as recited in claim 18.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance”.

Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thinh T Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-1790. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00am-6:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Nelms can be reached at 571-272-1787. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 872-9306 for regular communications and (703) 872-9319 for After Final communications.

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